

**HISTORY OF
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS IN THE SENATE**

- SJR 1.** Was not filed.
- SJR 2.** Was not filed.
- SJR 3.** Was not filed.
- SJR 4.** Was not filed.
- SJR 5.** Was not filed.
- SJR 6.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to reserve to the people the powers of initiative and referendum.
Author(s): Nelson
Read first time 67. Referred to Committee on State Affairs 67.
- SJR 7.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to limit the time that a person may serve in legislative office or in certain elective executive offices.
Author(s): Nelson
Read first time 67. Referred to Committee on State Affairs 67.
- SJR 8.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to provide for submitting certain legislation to the voters for their approval.
Author(s): Cain
Read first time 67. Referred to Committee on State Affairs 67.
- SJR 9.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to limit the time that a person may serve in legislative office or in certain elective executive offices.
Author(s): Bivins
Read first time 67. Referred to Committee on State Affairs 67.
- SJR 10.** Ratifying a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States providing for a federal balanced budget.
Author(s): Wentworth
Companion document(s): **HJR 16** - Raymond
Read first time 67. Referred to Committee on Finance 67.
- SJR 11.** Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the eligibility of a person who is delinquent in the payment of taxes to be a candidate for or to hold elective office.
Author(s): Nixon
Read first time 67. Referred to Committee on State Affairs 67.
- SJR 12.** Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing a voluntary, consensual encumbrance on homestead property for the purpose of an equity loan.
Author(s): Patterson
Co-author(s): Armbrister; Ellis; West
Companion document(s): **HJR 70** - Danburg
Co-author(s) authorized 70. Read first time 89. Referred to Committee on State Affairs 89. Co-author(s) authorized 94. Reported as amended 750. Co-author(s) authorized 816. Rules suspended 825. Record vote 825. Read second time 825. Amended 826. Record vote 826. Passed to engrossment as amended 826. Record vote 826. Rules suspended 826. Record vote 826. Read third time 827. Passed 827. Record vote 827.
- SJR 13.** Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing a voluntary consensual encumbrance on homestead property for the purpose of an equity loan.

Author(s): Harris

Companion document(s): **HJR 44** - Wolens

Read first time 89. Referred to Committee on State Affairs 89.

- SJR 14.** Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing a voluntary, consensual encumbrance on a business homestead for the purpose of an equity loan.

Author(s): Nixon

Read first time 89. Referred to Committee on State Affairs 89. Reported as substituted 652. Recommitted to committee 756. Reported as substituted 890. Rules suspended 1027. Record vote 1027. Read second time 1027. Amended 1027. Passed to engrossment as amended 1027. Record vote 1027. Rules suspended 1027. Record vote 1027. Read third time 1028. Passed 1028. Record vote 1028.

- SJR 15.** Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to appropriations for the preservation and perpetuation of certain items of historical value; allowing the legislature and state agencies to accept on behalf of the state gifts of items of historical value and contributions to purchase such items.

Author(s): Harris

Read first time 102. Referred to Committee on Administration 102. Posting rule suspended 103. Reported favorably 153.

- SJR 16.** Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the flow of funds for repayment of Texas agricultural water conservation bonds.

Author(s): Brown

Companion document(s): **HJR 5** - Lewis, Ron

Read first time 160. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources 160.

- SJR 17.** Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to creation of the Texas Water Development Fund II; to authorizing the Texas Water Development Board to administer the fund and issue general obligation bonds for the purposes of the fund; and to the flow of funds for repayment of Texas agricultural water conservation bonds.

Author(s): Brown

House Sponsor: Lewis, Ron

Companion document(s): **HJR 6** - Lewis, Ron

Read first time 160. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources 160. Reported as substituted 750. Rules suspended 851. Record vote 851. Read second time and passed to engrossment 851. Rules suspended 851. Record vote 851. Read third time 851. Passed 851. Record vote 851. House passage as amended reported 2693. House amendment(s) laid before Senate 2894. Read 2894. Senate refused to concur in House amendment(s) 2894. Senate requested conference committee 2894. Senate conferees appointed 2894. Senate conferees discharged 3132. Senate concurred in House amendment(s) 3132. Record vote 3132. Signed in Senate 3348. Sent to Secretary of State 4190.

- SJR 18.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to limit the time that a person may serve in legislative office or in a statewide elective executive office.

Author(s): Galloway

Read first time 171. Referred to Committee on State Affairs 171.

- SJR 19.** Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the place at which the Supreme Court of Texas sits to transact business.

Author(s): Wentworth

House Sponsor: Gallego

Companion document(s): **HJR 62** - Gallego

Read first time 193. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence 193. Reported favorably 450. Rules suspended 829. Record vote 829. Read second time and

passed to engrossment 829. Rules suspended 829. Record vote 829. Read third time 829. Passed 829. Record vote 829. House passage reported 1425. Signed in Senate 1437. Sent to Secretary of State 1482.

- SJR 20.** Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the creation of a judicial compensation commission.

Author(s): Brown

House Sponsor: Thompson

Companion document(s): **HJR 49** - Thompson

Read first time 204. Referred to Committee on Finance 204. Reported favorably 315. Rules suspended 411. Record vote 411. Rules suspended 411. Read second time and passed to engrossment 411. Rules suspended 411. Record vote 411. Read third time 411. Passed 411. Record vote 411.

- SJR 21.** Proposing a constitutional amendment appropriating money for grants to public school districts to acquire, construct, equip, or repair certain school facilities.

Author(s): Luna

Read first time 220. Referred to Committee on Finance 220.

- SJR 22.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to provide for transferring the school tax freeze on the homestead of an elderly person to a new homestead in certain circumstances.

Author(s): Harris

Companion document(s): **HJR 38** - Goodman

Read first time 228. Referred to Committee on Finance 228. Reported favorably 315. Rules suspended 358. Record vote 358. Rules suspended 358. Read second time and passed to engrossment 358. Rules suspended 358. Record vote 358. Read third time 358. Passed 358. Record vote 358.

- SJR 23.** Proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the appointment of appellate justices and judges by the governor with retention elections on a nonpartisan ballot for those justices and judges, for the nonpartisan election and retention or rejection of district judges, for the election of certain district judges from commissioners court precincts, and for the alteration of the terms of certain judicial offices.

Author(s): Ellis

Companion document(s): **HJR 69** - Thompson

Read first time 228. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence 228. Reported favorably 973.

- SJR 24.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the removal of a member of the governing body of a public institution of higher education.

Author(s): Ogden

Companion document(s): **HJR 43** - Rabuck

Read first time 259. Referred to Committee on Education 259.

- SJR 25.** Proposing a constitutional amendment providing for gubernatorial appointments to fill vacancies in the offices of appellate justices and judges, for a partisan election followed by retention elections on a nonpartisan ballot for those justices and judges, and for the appointment of district judges in accordance with certain standards.

Author(s): Duncan; Armbrister

Co-author(s): Patterson

Companion document(s): **HJR 75** - Goodman

Read first time 338. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence 338. Co-author(s) authorized 346. Reported as amended 1006.

- SJR 26.** Proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the appointment of appellate justices and judges by the governor with retention elections on a nonpartisan ballot for those justices and judges, for the nonpartisan election and retention or rejection of district judges, for the election of certain district judges from state representative districts or commissioners court precincts, and for the alteration of the terms of certain judicial offices.
Author(s): Gallegos
Read first time 338. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence 338. Reported favorably 973.
- SJR 27.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to extend the full faith and credit of the state to support the Texas tomorrow fund.
Author(s): Barrientos; Armbrister; Ellis; Sibley; Zaffirini
Companion document(s): **HJR 8** - Stiles
Read first time 437. Referred to Committee on Finance 437.
- SJR 28.** Proposing a constitutional amendment requiring the legislature to finance the basic elements of public education.
Author(s): Shapiro
Read first time 437. Referred to Committee on Tax Reform and Public School Finance 437.
- SJR 29.** Proposing a constitutional amendment requiring the legislature to prescribe an educational program for public school students that provides for a general diffusion of knowledge.
Author(s): Shapiro
Read first time 437. Referred to Committee on Tax Reform and Public School Finance 437.
- SJR 30.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to require a taxing unit that seeks to collect delinquent ad valorem taxes to elect between enforcing the lien securing payment of the taxes and enforcing personal liability for the taxes.
Author(s): Patterson
Read first time 495. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence 495.
- SJR 31.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to provide that certain amounts designated for deposit to the economic stabilization fund be transferred to the higher education fund.
Author(s): Ogden
Read first time 527. Referred to Committee on Finance 527.
- SJR 32.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to abolish the offices of Justice of the Peace for Precincts 3 and 4 in Brown County.
Author(s): Fraser
Read first time 527. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence 527.
- SJR 33.** Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the purposes for which money in the compensation to victims of crime fund and the compensation to victims of crime auxiliary fund may be used.
Author(s): Moncrief
House Sponsor: Gallego
Companion document(s): **HJR 1** - Gallego
Read first time 549. Referred to Committee on Finance 549. Reported as substituted 973. Rules suspended 1134. Read second time 1134. Amended 1135. Passed to engrossment as amended 1135. Rules suspended 1135. Record vote 1135. Read third time 1135. Passed 1135. Record vote 1135. House passage as amended reported 1892. House amendment(s) laid before Senate 2225. Read 2225. Senate refused to concur in House amendment(s) 2225.

Senate requested conference committee 2225. Senate conferees appointed 2226. House grant of request for conference committee reported 2335. House conferees appointment reported 2335. Conference Committee Report read and filed 3063. Conference Committee Report adopted 3343. Record vote 3343. House adoption of Conference Committee Report reported 3700. Signed in Senate 3903. Sent to Secretary of State 4924.

- SJR 34.** Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the rights of the defendant in a criminal case.
Author(s): Carona
Read first time 574. Referred to Committee on Criminal Justice 574.
- SJR 35.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to abolish the office of county treasurer of Harris County.
Author(s): Lindsay
Read first time 574. Referred to Committee on Intergovernmental Relations 574.
- SJR 36.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to allow a person who holds the office of municipal court judge to hold more than one civil office of emolument at the same time.
Author(s): Duncan
House Sponsor: Clark
Companion document(s): **HJR 87** - Clark
Read first time 574. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence 574. Reported as substituted 890. Rules suspended 971. Read second time and passed to engrossment 971. Rules suspended 971. Record vote 971. Read third time 971. Passed 971. Record vote 971. House passage as amended reported 1206. House amendment(s) laid before Senate 1274. Read 1274. Senate concurred in House amendment(s) 1274. Record vote 1274. Signed in Senate 1340. Sent to Secretary of State 1431.
- SJR 37.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation the property of a neighborhood association.
Author(s): Gallegos
Companion document(s): **HJR 61** - Bailey; **HJR 80** - Farrar
Read first time 604. Referred to Committee on Finance 604. Posting rule suspended 2106.
- SJR 38.** Proposing a constitutional amendment permitting an encumbrance to be fixed on homestead property for an obligation to pay certain property owners' association fees without permitting the forced sale of the homestead.
Author(s): Ellis; Patterson
Co-author(s): Luna; Haywood
Read first time 604. Referred to Committee on State Affairs 604. Co-author(s) authorized 752. Co-author(s) authorized 1218.
- SJR 39.** Proposing a constitutional amendment allowing the Texas growth fund to continue to invest in businesses without requiring those businesses to disclose investments in South Africa or Namibia.
Author(s): Ellis
House Sponsor: Giddings
Companion document(s): **HJR 64** - Giddings
Read first time 729. Referred to Committee on International Relations, Trade, and Technology 729. Reported favorably 867. Rules suspended 1054. Record vote 1054. Read second time and passed to engrossment 1054. Rules suspended 1055. Record vote 1055. Read third time 1055. Passed 1055. Record vote 1055. House passage reported 2494. Signed in Senate 2891. Sent to Secretary of State 3690.

- SJR 40.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the voters of Bexar County and certain political subdivisions located, in whole or in part, in Bexar County to create a consolidated city-county government by adopting a charter restructuring and consolidating political subdivisions.
Author(s): Wentworth
Companion document(s): **HJR 118** - Shields
Read first time 729. Referred to Committee on Intergovernmental Relations 729.
- SJR 41.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to create the Texas Redistricting Commission to establish legislative and congressional districts and to revise the constitutional redistricting provisions.
Author(s): Wentworth
Co-author(s): Armbrister; Bivins; Carona; Madla; Patterson; Zaffirini; Lucio; Ratliff
Companion document(s): **HJR 106** - Junell
Read first time 729. Referred to Committee of the Whole Senate on Legislative and Congressional Redistricting 729. Co-author(s) authorized 910. Co-author(s) authorized 946. Co-author(s) authorized 976. Posting rule suspended 1481.
- SJR 42.** Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the appraisal of residence homesteads for ad valorem tax purposes.
Author(s): Cain
Companion document(s): **HJR 121** - Hilbert
Read first time 729. Referred to Committee on Finance 729.
- SJR 43.** Proposing a constitutional amendment providing for limitations on increases in the appraised value of residence homesteads for ad valorem taxation and for the transfer to a different residence homestead of the school property tax freeze on residence homesteads of the elderly and their spouses.
Author(s): Cain
House Sponsor: Hilbert
Companion document(s): **HJR 119** - Hilbert
Read first time 729. Referred to Committee on Finance 729. Rereferred to Committee on State Affairs 835. Posting rule suspended 939. Reported favorably 1035. Rules suspended 1235. Read second time and passed to engrossment 1235. Rules suspended 1235. Record vote 1235. Read third time 1235. Passed 1235. Record vote 1235. House passage as amended reported 2602. House amendment(s) laid before Senate 3402. Read 3404. Senate refused to concur in House amendment(s) 3404. Senate requested conference committee 3404. Senate conferees appointed 3404. House grant of request for conference committee reported 3777. House conferees appointment reported 3777. Conference Committee Report read and filed 4831. Conference Committee Report adopted 4872. Record vote 4872. House adoption of Conference Committee Report reported 4876. Signed in Senate 4915. Sent to Secretary of State 4924.
- SJR 44.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to limit county and municipal ad valorem taxes on the residence homestead of an elderly person.
Author(s): Cain
Companion document(s): **HJR 120** - Hilbert
Read first time 729. Referred to Committee on Finance 729.
- SJR 45.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to permit a taxing unit to grant an exemption or other relief from ad valorem taxes on property on which a water conservation initiative has been implemented.

Author(s): Brown

House Sponsor: Lewis, Ron

Companion document(s): **HJR 102** - Lewis, Ron

Read first time 729. Referred to Committee on Finance 729. Rereferred to Committee on Natural Resources 1111. Posting rule suspended 1146. Reported as substituted 1523. Rules suspended 1575. Read second time and passed to engrossment 1575. Rules suspended 1575. Record vote 1575. Read third time 1576. Passed 1576. Record vote 1576. House passage reported 2693. Signed in Senate 3048. Sent to Secretary of State 3870.

- SJR 46.** Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the election of state senators.

Author(s): Barrientos

Read first time 729. Referred to Committee of the Whole Senate on Legislative and Congressional Redistricting 729.

- SJR 47.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to abolish the office of constable in Jack County.

Author(s): Sibley

Companion document(s): **HJR 110** - Finnell

Permission granted to introduce 1092. Read first time 1113. Referred to Committee on Intergovernmental Relations 1113. Reported favorably 1336. Rules suspended 1445. Read second time and passed to engrossment 1445. Rules suspended 1445. Record vote 1445. Read third time 1445. Passed 1445. Record vote 1445.

- SJR 48.** Proposing a constitutional amendment to permit the denial of bail to certain persons charged with committing certain sexual offenses.

Author(s): Harris

Permission granted to introduce 1286. Read first time 1323. Referred to Committee on Criminal Justice 1323.

